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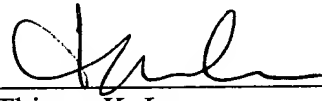
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Respectfully submitted,  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir/Madam:

In response to the Office Action of December 7, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows: